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MEMORANDUM FOR:

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SUBJECT : Defense Budget of Selected
Near East Countries

1. The attached table is in response
to your telephone request for data on selected
countries.

2. Because of the possible interest in
this subject of other components of the Wash-
ington economic community, this office may send
the table to other interested officials.

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3. Further questions may be addressed
to [Redacted]

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Attachment:
As stated above

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Defense Budgets of Selected Near East Countries

Country	Conversion Rate	Fiscal Year Period	Value (Million US \$)	Percentage of:	
				National Budget	GNP
Bahrain	1 dinar=\$2.50	1/73 - 12/73	4.6	5	2
Iran	68.17 rials=\$1	4/73 - 3/74	3,643	22	12
Israel	4.2 pounds=\$1	4/74 - 3/75	2,381 a/	NA	NA
Jordan	1 dinar=\$3.04	1/74 - 12/74	153 b/	43	19
Lebanon	1 pound=\$0.39	1/74 - 12/74	118	10	5
Morocco	4.195 dirhams=\$1	1/74 - 12/74	206	10	4
Qatar	1 rial=\$0.25	3/70 - 2/71	8.2	9	4
	1 rial=\$0.25	2/71 - 2/72	9.7	8	3
	1 rial=\$0.25	2/72 - 1/73	16	10	6
	1 rial=\$0.25	2/73 - 1/74	47	23	9
Saudi Arabia	1 riyal=\$0.27	8/71 - 7/72	728	26	14
	1 riyal=\$0.27	8/72 - 7/73	1,067	30	NA
	1 riyal=\$0.27	8/73 - 7/74	1,600	27	NA
Syria	3.8 pounds=\$1	1/74 - 12/74	394	23	13
Tunisia	0.435 dinars=\$1	1/74 - 12/74	35	6 c/	2
Yemen (Sana)	1 rial=\$0.22	7/71 - 6/72	19	38	10
	1 rial=\$0.22	7/72 - 6/73	22	36	7
	1 rial=\$0.22	7/73 - 6/74	30	41	10

a. Includes \$500 million in normal US military assistance but excludes a probable \$800 million for the October 1973 war.

b. Excludes \$40 million of US military assistance and \$43 million from Abu Dhabi and Qatar.

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